(c) by when this dispute is proposed to be resolved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Government of Maharashtra had requested the Government to hold an opinion poll in the disputed areas on the lines of the one held in the erstwhile Union Territory of Goa, Daman & Diu.

(c) The Government of India is of the view that the dispute is to be resolved primarily by the two State Government concerned through discussions and mutual accommodation, and it would be glad to extend necessary assistance to the two States in this regard.

Special Cells for Monitoring Terrorist Activities

6221. SHRI GUNDAPPA KORWAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the State Governments have been advised to constitute dedicated counter militancy groups for monitoring action against terrorists;

(b) if so, whether the Union Government have also decided to set up a separate group to monitor action against terrorists;

(c) whether the Union Government have also agreed to support and assist the states in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. The States have been advised to constitute a Group/Task Force to collate intelligence from both the State Government as well as the Central Government agencies, analyse it and carry out operations in coordination with neighbouring States and concerned agencies of the Government of India. A Special Cell has already been constituted in the Ministry of Home Affairs under the Special secretary (Internal Security). The State Task Forces/Cells would regularly interact with the Central Cell in an institutionalised manner. The Central Government is rendering all possible assistance to the affected States in the form of deployment of additional para-military forces, provision of training facilities, provision of modern weaponary and grants for modernisation of the State police forces.

Implementation of Rajiv-Longowal Accord

6222. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister, during his recent visit to Punjab, promised to implement the Rajiv-Longowal Accord, including water and territorial disputes, to the satisfaction of both the States of Punjab and Haryana;

(b) whether Government propose to call/talk to all the parties concerned to sort out the issues involved; if so, when;

(c) whether Government also propose to waive off loans spent by Punjab during the past few years on security and fighting terrorism in the State; and

(d) if so, what is the total amount involved in this regard and how much payment has already been made to the Central Government and what is left out amount to be waived off?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (b) During his recent visit to Punjab, the Prime Minister stated that he had initiated discussion with the Chief Ministers of Punjab and Haryana to resolve the long-standing disputes of the Rajiv-Longowal Accord and that he would involve other parties also in resolving these disputes. Sincere efforts are continuing in this direction to find amicable solution to the outstanding issues of the Rajiv-Longowal Accord in consultation with the concerned parties.